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SUBJECT: MARCOS VISIT TO PEKING

1. THE VISIT OF PRESIDENT FERDINAND MARCOS OF THE PHILIPPINES  
TO THE PRC NOW ITS THIRD DAY APPEARS TO BE PROCEEDING  
STRICTLY ACCORDING TO SCRIPT. THE CHINESE HAVE LAID ON THEIR  
STANDARD RECEPTION FOR A VISITING HEAD OF STATE BUT WITH ENOUGH  
EXTRA TOUCHES SUCH AS MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN MAO TSE-TUNG  
BEFORE AND PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI JUST AFTER THE OPENING DAY'S  
BANQUET TO FLATTER THE FILIPINO LEADER AND TO SUGGEST THE SPECIAL  
IMPORTANCE THE CHINESE ATTACH TO HIS VISIT. FOR HIS PART,  
MARCOS'S JUNE 7 BANQUET SPEECH PLAYED UP THE PHILIPPINES'  
OWN COLONIAL HERITAGE AND ITS ASIAN IDENTIFICATION WITH THE PRC,  
AND SHOWED HIS OWN ABILITIES AT FLATTERY WITH REPEATED PRAISES  
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OF MAO AND THE STATEMENT THAT THE PRC IS "THE NATURAL LEADER

OF THE THIRD WORLD." MARCOS IMPRESSED PEKING'S JADED BANQUET SET, AND PROBABLY ALSO HIS HOSTS, WITH A STELLAR BANQUET PERFORMANCE CARRIED LIVE ON MANILA TELEVISION. THE VISIT ALSO INCLUDED THE USUAL WORKING SESSIONS, SIGHTSEEING, AND CULTURAL PERFORMANCES.

2. VERY LITTLE IS AVAILABLE HERE YET ON THE CONTENT OF THE MARCOS-TENG HSIAO-PING DISCUSSIONS. WE HAVE NOT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH ANY MEMBERS OF THE MARCOS ENTOURAGE. HOWEVER, TENG'S BANQUET SPEECH SUGGESTED THE CHINESE WERE EAGER TO DISCUSS WITH MARCOS THE IDEA OF A ZONE OF PEACE AND NEUTRALITY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA PRESUMABLY AS A MEANS TO FORESTALL INCREASED SOVIET INFLUENCE IN THE REGION.

3. TENG'S SPEECH ALSO APPEARED TO BETRAY SOMEWHAT MORE THAN THE USUAL SENSITIVITY TOWARD CHARGES OF CHINESE INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER COUNTRIES AND HE PRESUMABLY HAS SOUGHT TO REASSURE MARCOS IN THE PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS THAT THE PRC'S INTENTIONS ARE PURE. WE HAVE HEARD THE CHINESE ARE QUITE SENSITIVE OVER STORY OF PRC DIPLOMAT IN OTTAWA'S EXPULSION DUE TO INVOLVEMENT WITH FILIPINO INSURGENTS AND THE MFA PRESS PEOPLE HAVE DRESSED DOWN WESTERN NEWSMEN FOR REPORTING THE STORY. WHILE SUGGESTING A DARK PLOT TO SABOTAGE THE VISIT, THE MFA SPOKESMAN, HOWEVER, DID NOT DENY THE DETAILS OF THE INCIDENT.

4. NEWSMEN HAVE BEEN TOLD THE RETURN BANQUET WILL BE HELD TONIGHT AND THEY HAVE BEEN LED TO EXPECT THE FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS TO BE INCLUDED IN A JOINT EOMMUNIQUE TO BE ISSUED ON JUNE 11. BUSH

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